

Appn. No. 09/800,463

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Amendment

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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMSS. ~ This listing of claims is proposed to replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the

7/23/04 application:

1. (Currently amended) A cosmetic powder comprising:

a powder [[core]] comprising at least one of the group consisting of talc, mica, kaolin, nylon, pigment, and spherical and non-spherical silica; and

a coating applied to the powder [[core]], wherein the coating comprises at least one alpha hydroxy acid polymer or copolymer belonging to the poly-alpha-hydroxy-acids family whereby said alpha hydroxy acid polymer or copolymer can degrade and release onto the skin of a wearer at least one of monomers and oligomers on application of said cosmetic powder to the skin,

wherein said alpha hydroxy acid polymer or copolymer is in a quantity between 0.1 to 20%

by weight of the coated cosmetic powder; and

said powder is in a quantity between 60 to 99% by weight of the coated cosmetic powder.

2-5. (Cancelled)

6. (Previously presented) The cosmetic powder according to claim 1, wherein said coating include: poly DL-lactide.

7. (Previously presented) The cosmetic powder according to claim 1, wherein said coating include: at least one of lipid, lipophilic and hydrophilic functional substances.

8. (Previously presented) The cosmetic powder according to claim 1, wherein said coating include: at least one of vitamins and amino acids.